

NHDOT SPR2 PROGRAM

RESEARCH PROGRESS REPORT

INSTRUCTIONS:

Project Managers and/or Principal Investigators should complete a progress report at least every three months during the project duration. Reports are due the 5th of the month following the end of the quarter. Please provide a project update even if no work was done during this reporting period.

Project # 29729	Report Period Year 2018 <input type="checkbox"/> Q1 (Jan-Mar) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Q2 (Apr-Jun) <input type="checkbox"/> Q3 (Jul-Sep) <input type="checkbox"/> Q4 (Oct-Dec)	
Project Title: Statewide Strategic Transit Assessment (SSTA) Study		
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Project Start Date: 9/21/16	Project End Date: 7/31/19	Project schedule status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X On schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Ahead of schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Behind schedule

Brief Project Description:

This comprehensive study will inventory and assess the needs of NH's public transit systems and intercity bus transportation network, with the primary focus on transit systems that are funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. This study would also identify statewide transit gaps and needs, evaluate the overall statewide transit system for new routes and transit services, and identify opportunities for improved interconnectivity within the statewide and regional transit network.

Progress this Quarter (include meetings, installations, equipment purchases, significant progress, etc.):

- Held 2 stakeholder meetings to provide guidance regarding scope
 - Presented final draft of Park & Ride report, including gap analysis
 - Finalized NHDOT policy considerations concerning transit
 - Continued discussion related to performance measure research related to transit
- Held intercity bus consultation kickoff meeting
- Enhanced project website: www.nhtransitstudy.com
 - Includes interactive map with embedded links to systems and schedules

Items needed from NHDOT (i.e., Concurrence, Sub-contract, Assignments, Samples, Testing, etc...):

- No items needed from M&R at this time.
- Next stakeholder meeting: estimated late August 2018

Anticipated research next 3 months:

- Finalize Park & Ride report, including gap analysis for future P&Rs.
- Finalize evaluation of performance measures
- Continue intercity bus consultation process

Circumstances affecting project: Describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope, and budget, along with recommended solutions to those problems.

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- (First noted in 2017 Q3 report) One section of the study was not completed as anticipated: A review of the State's intercity network and consultation with intercity providers. It was felt that this should be done only after the park & ride analysis has been completed. Thus, the intercity component will largely take place in spring/summer 2018.

Tasks (from Work Plan)	Planned % Complete	Actual % Complete
Inventory and evaluation of current statewide system	85	80
Public outreach	60	60
Needs and gap analysis – forecast of future demand	10	0
Park & ride assessment	100	90
Documentation	0	0